Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Public Notice Draft Clean Air Act Permit Program Permit Joppa Power Station

The Illinois EPA is planning to issue a revised Clean Air Act Permit Program (CAAPP) permit for the Joppa Power Station located at 2100 Portland Road in Joppa. The facility is a coal-fired power plant owned by Electric Energy, Inc.

The revised CAAPP permit for the Joppa Power Station is intended to settle an administrative appeal of the initial CAAPP permit currently stayed by the Pollution Control Board (PCB Case No. 2006-065). The planned changes to the permit to settle the appeal would be made under the CAAPP's procedures for a significant modification of a permit (Section 39.5(14)(c) of the Environmental Protection Act). As part of these changes, the Illinois EPA also plans to conditionally approve the Compliance Assurance Monitoring Plan submitted by the Electric Energy for emissions of particulate matter from the coal-fired boilers.

Additional changes would be made to the CAAPP permit so that certain air pollution control requirements that were not applicable at the time of initial permit issuance would be incorporated into the CAAPP permit. These planned changes would be made under the procedures for reopening of a CAAPP permit (Section 39.5(15)(c) of the Act).

Based on its review, the Illinois EPA has made a <u>preliminary</u> determination that these revisions would meet the applicable standards for issuance and has prepared a comprehensive draft CAAPP permit reflecting all permit revisions for public review. The Illinois EPA is accepting comments on the revisions which must be postmarked by midnight on December 23, 2016. If sufficient interest is expressed in the draft CAAPP permit, a hearing or other informational meeting may be held. Requests for information should be directed to Rachel Stewart, Office of Community Relations, Illinois EPA, 1021 N. Grand Ave. East, PO Box 19506, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9506, phone 217/782-2224, TDD phone 217/782-9143, Rachel.Stewart@illinois.gov.

A repository of documents for these permitting actions is available at the Illinois EPA offices in Marion at 2309 West Main Street, 618/993-7200, and at the Illinois EPA's office, 1021 N. Grand Avenue East in Springfield, 217/782-7027 (please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you). Copies of the draft CAAPP permit and its statement of basis may also be available on the Illinois EPA website at http://www.epa.illinois.gov/public-notices/general-notices/index and upon request.

The CAAPP is Illinois' operating permit program for major sources of emissions, as required by Title V of the Clean Air Act (CAA). In addition to implementing Title V of the CAA, CAAPP permits may also contain Title I Conditions, (i.e., conditions established under the pre-construction permit program for new and modified emission units, pursuant to Title I of the Act) that have been established brand new denoted as T1N or that have been revised denoted as T1R. The revised permit contains revisions that are identified as T1R revisions to permits for certain material handling operations.